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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Record of Communication – meeting with Ute Tribe

FROM: Deirdre Rothery

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TO: U&O FIP docket

This memorandum is to serve as a record of communication for a meeting that occurred between the Ute Tribe and US EPA Region 8 on December 17, 2015, from 11-12 a.m.

Attendees:

EPA Shaun McGrath, Regional Administrator

Joan Card, Senior Policy Advisor

Darcy O'Connor, Assistant Regional Administrator

Alfreda Mitre, Senior Tribal Advisor

Callie Videtich, Tribal Assistance Program Director

Carl Daly, Air Program Director Deirdre Rothery, Air Program Cindy Beeler, Energy Advisor Jody Ostendorf, Air Program

Elyana Sutin, Deputy Assistant Regional Administrator

Michael Boydston, Office of Regional Counsel

Chris Stoneman, OAQPS

<u>Ute Tribe</u> Edred Secakuku, Vice Chair

Bruce Ignacio, Councilman Ron Wopsock, Councilman Tony Small, Councilman

Minnie Grant, Air Quality Director

Mike Natchez, Air Program Jeremy Paterson, Legal Counsel Tom Fredricks, Legal Counsel

Summary of Meeting

The purpose of this meeting was to continue consultation and gain input from the Ute Tribal Business Committee and Ute Tribe Air Program on the U&O Reservation specific rule (Federal Implementation Plan – FIP) to control emissions from existing oil and gas sources.

EPA provided a brief summary of the following:

- Previous discussions with the Tribe and stakeholder meetings held,
- National rules for oil and gas,
- Purpose of a U&O Reservation specific FIP, and
- Potential requirements of a U&O Reservation specific FIP.

The Ute Tribe asked a few clarifying questions about the U&O FIP. It was agreed that the EPA and the Ute Tribe Business Committee would schedule a follow up meeting in early January.